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### **OHVs Allowed Within Esterbrook Campground**

**(Douglas, WY. - June 19, 2013)** – A special order that disallowed Off-Highway Vehicles (OHVs) within the Esterbrook Campground has expired and has not been renewed by the Douglas Ranger District (DRD).

High OHV speeds and irresponsible driving within the campground, as well as an OHV accident are what originally prompted the recently-expired order.

The Esterbrook Campground is a popular site located in the northeast portion of the Laramie Range, on the Medicine Bow National Forest.

“After evaluating the situation we have decided to not renew the special order and instead try a couple different approaches to emphasize safety,” stated Tom Whitford, Douglas District Ranger.

“Visitors to Esterbrook will notice some new signage in the coming weeks and we are hopeful that the public understands our desire to see safe, shared use of the campground by a variety of user groups. Public safety and responsible OHV use will still be our top priorities. We do not want to have to go to the extremes of banning OHVs again in the future.”

Esterbrook Campground boasts 12 camping sites, as well as potable water, trash services and toilet facilities. It is generally open from Memorial Day through the end of October (weather permitting). OHV trail riding is one of many popular recreation activities in the Esterbrook area.

Campground sites are \$10 per night and first-come-first-serve.

Speed limits, which apply to all motorized vehicles, are posted in the campground and off-road travel is not permitted. All OHVs must be registered with the State of Wyoming and have a current year permit/sticker.

For more information please contact the DRD (307-358-4690) or stop by the office at 2250 E. Richards St. Information can also be found at the following website, <http://fs.usda.gov/mbf>, or you can follow the Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests & Thunder Basin National Grassland on Twitter, **@MBRNFsTBNG**.

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